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REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the March 31, 2003 *Examiner's Answer*. Claims 1-25 were presented on appeal. In the *Examiner's Answer*, the Examiner withdrew the rejection of Claims 22-24. In view of the withdrawal of the rejection, Claims 22-24 are canceled herein and will be presented in a continuation application to be filed in due course. Thus, Claims 1-21 and 25 remain pending on appeal in the present application.

Appellants are addressing the issues presented in the *Examiner's Answer* in Appellants' *Reply Brief* being filed contemporaneously with this amendment. In accordance with MPEP § 1208.03, this amendment is being submitted as a separate paper comprising only the amendments to the claims.

No new issues are presented by the amendments presented in this paper.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to call the undersigned attorney of record at 949-721-2849 or at the general office telephone number listed below.

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